# UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Farm Service Agency Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

**AR Notice FI-89** 

For: FSA County Offices

**Non-Federal County Office Travel Allotments** 

**Approved by:** State Executive Director

### 1 Overview

# A Background

FSA began implementation of the NFC OnLine Travel System for non-federal employees on October 1, 2003. Travel expenses are no longer included in non-payroll allotments issued to County Offices.

## **B** Purpose

The purpose of this notice is to provide travel allotments for non-federal CO employees and COC travel expenses and reconciliation instructions. County Offices shall not exceed their travel allotment. Usage is closely monitored by BUD at the National Office level for each State. CED's are responsible for maintaining travel allotments.

#### 2 Action

## A County Office Action

Non-federal travel coordinators shall:

- Ensure that final C-Type vouchers do not continue to show excessive obligations against travel authorizations by entering a "Y" in the "Final Voucher Indicator" (Block 54) on travel vouchers. Unused travel obligations will expire if the Final Voucher Indicator code is used on the processed voucher. If "Y" was not entered at the time the voucher was input, the authorized amount must be amended to the actual amount of the claim.
- Blanket B-Type authorizations remain obligated until all funds are used or the Final Voucher Indicator is marked. Ensure that obligations do not exceed the allotment.
- Maintain travel allotments using the County Office Travel Ledger spreadsheet that was provided at training.

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# 3 Action (continued)

- Reconcile travel obligations against reports that will be furnished to each county via email on a quarterly basis. This report is generated from data uploaded from NFC to FSA's database. The report title is Brio TRVL. Excess obligations must be deobligated by amending the authorization.
- FY2003 actual expenses were used as a basis for calculating FY2004 allotments. Report
  any shortage or excess allotments to the State Office as soon as possible based on your
  projections. A small reserve will be maintained at the State level. The FY2004 allotment
  is reduced 14% below our actual FY2003 expenses. Allotments will be reallocated as
  necessary.
- Travel authorizations and vouchers must be filed by the traveler and input into the Online System in a timely manner. Authorizations must be established prior to travel. Type-C vouchers should be filed within 5 days after travel. Type-B vouchers should be filed at least monthly within 5 days of the month end.

### 4 Contact

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Count	FY2004 Travel Allotment	C	FY2004 Travel
County	Anothent	County	Allotment
Arkansas	10,000	Phillips	7,000
Ashley	5,700	Poinsett	5,000
Baxter	7,000	Polk	6,000
Boone	5,000	Pope	5,000
Carroll	3,000	Prairie	8,000
Chicot	4,800	Pulaski	5,000
Clark	10,000	Randolph	7,000
Clay	7,000	St. Francis	4,100
Cleburne	5,000	Sebastain	3,000
Conway	5,000	Sharp	3,000
Craighead	6,500	Van Buren	1,500
Crittenden	4,000	Washington	5,800
Cross	10,000	White	5,000
Desha	5,000	Woodruff	6,000
Drew	11,000		
Faulkner	2,000	Total	285,700
Franklin	2,000		
Fulton	8,000		
Greene	6,500		
Hempstead	5,000		
Hot Spring	5,500		
Howard	4,000		
Independence	3,800		
Izard	3,200		
Jackson	7,000		
Jefferson	9,000		
Johnson	4,000		
Lafayette	5,000		
Lawrence	7,500		
Lee	4,000		
Lincoln	4,700		
Little River	6,000		
Lonoke	3,800		
Madison	3,000		
Miller	6,000		
Mississippi	7,800		
Monroe	3,500		
Ouachita	4,000		